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For: HIV INTEGRASE INHIBITORS

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Applicants submit the following information which they believe may be pertinent to the examination of this application and in respect of which there may be a duty to disclose in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.56:

1. US 7,211,572 (Miyazaki et al.) is directed to nitrogen-containing fused ring compounds and their use as HIV integrase inhibitors. Miyazaki et al. is the issued patent corresponding to published application no. US2006/0052361 which was cited in an information disclosure statement filed July 28, 2006.
2. Publication No. US 2007/0161639 is the published version of Jones et al., Serial No. 10/587,601, filed July 28, 2006, Docket No. ITR0068YP, which was disclosed in an information disclosure statement filed July 28, 2006.
3. An office action mailed August 1, 2007 for Serial No. 10/587,601 (item 2 above) rejected claims 1-15 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(f) in view of Miyazaki et al. (item 1 above).

The above documents are cited in the enclosed substitute for form 1449. A full copy of the office action referred to in item 3 is also enclosed. It is requested that the Examiner consider each of these references, make them of record, and return an initialed copy of the enclosed form with the next communication to applicants.

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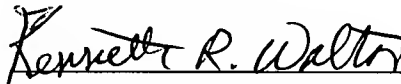
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